

## U.S. Department of Justice

## Office of Legislative Affairs

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The Honorable John Conyers, Jr. Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Patrick Leahy Chairman Committee on the Judiciary United States Senate Washington, DC 20510

Dear Messrs. Chairmen:

This supplements our previous responses to your letter requests and the House Judiciary Committee's subpoena concerning the Committees' oversight investigations regarding the resignations of eight U.S. Attorneys.

As you know, the Department has provided logs relating to documents that have not been produced because they relate to our efforts to respond to congressional and media inquiries following the resignations of the U.S. Attorneys. We have, of course, produced certain records based upon our concern about possible inaccuracies in information that was provided to your Committees regarding this matter after the resignations. We have substantial confidentiality interests in the remaining documents in this category because we do not want to chill the internal process, including the exchange of candid views, that is essential to our development of responses to congressional and medica requests for information.

On October 26, 2007, we met again with House Judiciary Committee staff about the logs of documents derived from Messrs. Margolis, Mercer, Roehrkasse, and Hertling. In the course of that discussion, staff articulated particularized needs for the Committee to receive copies of specific documents. Enclosed are all of those documents with limited redactions of personal and other information in line with our past productions.

We hope that this information is helpful and appreciate your engagement in the accommodation process relating to these records. Please do not hesitate to contact this office if you would like additional assistance regarding this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

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## Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Lamar Smith

The Honorable Linda Sanchez

The Honorable Chris Cannon

The Honorable Arlen Specter

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer

The Honorable Jeff Sessions